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In re Application of  
Michael A. Tzannes et al  
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed August 18, 1999, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply to the Office action mailed August 31, 1998, which set a period for reply of three months. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 14, 1999.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, an extension of time must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum period obtainable for reply to avoid abandonment. Accordingly, since the \$435 extension of time submitted with the petition on August 18, 1999 was subsequent to the maximum period obtainable for reply, petitioner may request a refund of this fee by writing to the Office of Finance, Refund Section. A copy of this decision should accompany petitioner's request.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2700.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-8859.

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